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EXDIS, FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON

FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION SECSTATE FROM CAIRO MAY 13:

QUOTE S E C R E T CAIRO 8096

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DEPT PASS SECRETARY'S PARTY FOR ATHERTON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR US EG SY

SUBJ: PRESIDENT CARTER'S MEETING WITH PRESIDENT ASAD

REF: SECTO 4023

1. MET WITH FAHMY LAST NIGHT AT HIS HOME IN ORDER TO
BRIEF HIM ON CARTER/ASAD TALKS AND ON PRESENT STATUS
ME PEACE EFFORTS USING POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL. AT
HIS REQUEST, I GAVE HIM COPY OF THOSE POINTS TO FORWARD
TO PRESIDENT SADAT.

2. FAHMY WENT OVER THE POINTS CAREFULLY. APART FROM
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CLAIMING EGYPTIANS RESPONSIBLE FOR MANY OF THE POSITIONS
ASAD HAD TAKEN, FAHMY HAD NO SUBSTANTIVE COMMENT ON THE
GENEVA MEETING. HE DID EXPRESS SOME PUZZLEMENT AT THE
OPTIMISTIC STATEMENTS RECENTLY MADE BY PRESIDENT
CARTER AND OTHER SENIOR USG OFFICIALS ABOUT
PROSPECTS FOR ME PEACE. WHILE GRATIFIED THAT THE
ADMINISTRATION FEELS THIS WAY, HE NOTED THE STILL SHARPLY

DIVERGENT POSITIONS OF THE TWO PARTIES. HE
CONTENDED THAT WITHOUT SOME USG "PLAN", THERE
IS LITTLE HOPE FOR A SOLUTION. NEITHER ISRAEL NOR THE
ARABS ARE LIKELY TO COMPROMISE ON ESSENTIAL POSITIONS
IF LEFT TO THEMSELVES. FAHMY ALSO MADE A FEW OBLIQUE
COMMENTS THAT WE SEEMED TO BE HEAPING AN
EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF PRAISE ON ASAD.

3. FAHMY INDICATED KHADDAM IS EXPECTED IN CAIRO,
PROBABLY SATURDAY, TO BRIEF EGYPTIANS ON
GENEVA TALKS.

4. TODAY'S PRESS CARRIES MENA REPORT THAT I DELIVERED
TO FAHMY YESTERDAY A MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER
TO PRESIDENT SADAT. SOURCE OF STORY IS CLEARLY
FAHMY AND I SURMISE ITS ORIGIN IS BRIEFING WHICH I
GAVE HIM ON CARTER/ASAD TALKS EVEN THOUGH THIS WAS
NOT SPECIFICALLY CITED AS A DIRECT MESSAGE FROM
PRESIDENT CARTER. AFTER CARTER/ASAD MEETING
AND OUR HIGH PRAISE FOR ASAD, GOE CLEARLY ANXIOUS
SHOW EGYPTIAN PUBLIC THAT SADAT HAS NOT BEEN FORGOTTEN
BY PRESIDENT CARTER. EILTS UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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